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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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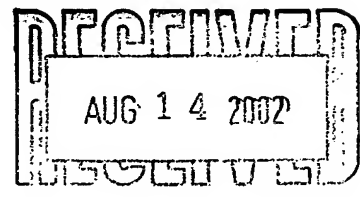
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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to applicants in order to comply with applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56. A copy of the listed documents is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 & 1.98.

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The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(3), submission before the mailing date of the first action on the merits.


For the convenience of the Examiner, applicants attach an abstract of the enclosed foreign language document.

The Examiner will note that applicants have provided U.S. Patent No. 5,877,086 which corresponds to Japanese Patent No. 10-64902.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

Respectfully submitted,

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